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1. AT 1415 LOCAL TIME JULY 10 EMBASSY PRESS OFFICER ROSS RECEIVED CALL FROM AFP-BEIRUT MANAGER INVITING HIM TO COME TO AFP OFFICES TO PICK UP ADDITIONAL MATERIAL RELATED TO COLONEL MORGAN.

2. ROSS PROCEEDED IMMEDIATELY TO AFP AND WAS GIVEN TWO MANILA ENVELOPES CONTAINING TWO COMMUNIQUE IN ARABIC FROM QUOTE REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST ACTION ORGANIZATION END QUOTE AND TWO TAPE CASSETTES WITH MESSAGES FROM COLONEL MORGAN.

2. AS RELATED BY AFP MANAGER AND CONFIRMED BY DATES IN COMMUNIQUE AND ON TAPES, ONE COMMUNIQUE AND TAPE HAD BEEN MEANT TO BE PICKED UP BY AFP EVENING OF

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JULY 8. AFP HAD RECEIVED ANONYMOUS CALL THAT EVENING

INSTRUCTING IT TO GO TO FASHIONABLE STRAND COFFEE SHOP ON HAMRA STREET AND SEARCH MEN'S ROOM. AFSP EMPLOYEES DID SO (FYI, WITHOUT INFORMING EMBASSY), FOUND NOTHING AND ASSUMED HOAX.

3. AT 1230 LOCAL TIME TODAY, AFP RECEIVED FIRST OF SERIES OF ANONYMOUS CALLS ASKING WHETHER JULY 8 ENVELOPE HAD BEEN RECEIVED, INSTRUCTING AFP EXACTLY WHERE IN MEN'S ROOM JULY 8 ENVELOPE HAD BEEN LEFT, INSTRUCTING AFP TO PICK UP SIMILAR ENVELOPE LEFT TODAY ON ONE OF TABLES OF FASHIONABLE HORSESHOE COFFEESHOP ON HAMRA STREET, AND REQUESTING CONFIRMATION OF RECEIPT OF BOTH ENVELOPES.

4. BY 1300 LOCAL TIME, AFP WAS IN POSSESSION OF BOTH ENVELOPES AND BEGAN TRANSLATING COMMUNIQUE AND TRANSCRIBING TAPES. AFP MANAGER TURNED OVER ALL MATERIALS TO ROSS UPON ARRIVAL AND TOOK OCCASION TO RAISE TWO POINT: (A) MANAGER REQUESTED EMBASSY TO ASK GOL NOT TO INTERROGATE HIM IN HIS OFFICES, AS HE STATES HAD OCCURRED ON OCCASION OF FIRST MESSAGE. MANAGER WAS CONCERNED THAT KIDNAPPERS MIGHT ASSUME HE WAS IN CAHOOTS WITH GOL. (FYI DEFATT COLONEL HUNT HAS ASKED LEBANESE SURETE NOT TO INVOLVE AFP ANY MORE THAN NECESSARY AND TO PERFORM ANY ESSENTIAL QUESTIONING OF AFP PERSONNEL OFF AFP PREMISES); (B) MANAGER WISHED TO AVOID THREE-RING CIRCUS WHICH DEVELOPED WHEN AMERICAN MEDIA REPS DISCOVERED HE HAD COPIES OF JULY 6 TAPES, AND HE HAD THEREFORE DECIDED NOT TO COPY JULY 8 AND 9 TAPES, BUT JUST TO TRANSCRIBE THEM. AS RESULT, EMBASSY NOW HAS THE ONLY COPIES OF JULY 8 AND 9 TAPES. AS INSTRUCTED, IT DOES NOT PLAN TO RELEASE THEM BUT IS MAKING COPIES FOR LEBANESE SURETE GENERAL.

5. AFP INFORMED ROSS THAT IT PLANNED RELEASE TEXTS OF COMMUNIQUE AND TRANSCRIPTS OF TAPES, AND EMBASSY PRESUMES THIS HAS OCCURRED. AS PRESS INQUIRIES DEVELOP, EMBASSY WILL LIMIT ITS COMMENTS IN LINE WITH GUIDELINES ESTABLISHED FOR JULY 6

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MATERIALS.

6. FYI EMBASSY TRANSMITS BELOW QUICK TRANSLATIONS OF JULY 8 AND 10 COMMUNIQUE AND TRANSCRIPTS OF JULY 8 AND 9 TAPES.

7. QUICK TRANSLATION OF LETTER MEANT FOR DELIVERY ON TUESDAY, JULY 8.

COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST ACTION ORGANIZATION.

A. CONCERNING THE PRACTICAL DEVELOPMENTS OF THE DETENTION OF THE AMERICAN SPY, COLONEL MORGAN:

WHEN OUR ORGANIZATION DETAINED THE AMERICAN COLONEL MORGAN, IT STUDIED THE SUBJECT DEEPLY IN ALL ITS ASPECTS. ON THE BASIS OF THIS STUDY, OUR ORGANIZATION PRESENTED DEMANDS THAT WERE NOT IMPOSSIBLE AND THAT WERE DEFINED IN OUR COMMUNIQUE NO. 1. IT SAID THAT IF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT DID NOT CARRY OUT THESE DEMANDS WITHIN A DETERMINED PERIOD WHICH ENDED AT 2100 ON THE EVENING OF JULY 9, 1975, IT WOULD EXECUTE THE ABOVE MENTIONED OFFICER. NOW, AND BEFORE WE COMMENT ON THE DEVELOPMENTS THAT HAVE FOLLOWED THE ISSUANCE OF THE COMMUNIQUE, WE WANT TO EMPHASIZE THE SERIOUSNESS OF OUR WARNING, WHICH ADMITS NO TRICKERY OR PROCRASTINATION. COLONEL ERNEST MORGAN WILL BE EXECUTED BY A FIRING SQUAD AT EXACTLY 2100 ON JULY 9, 1975 BEIRUT TIME IF ALL OF OUR DEMANDS, WHICH WERE CONTAINED IN OUR COMMUNIQUE, ARE NOT MET.

B. WE HAVE BEEN SURPRISED AT SOME OF THE QUARTERS THAT HAVE ISSUED STATEMENTS AND COMMUNIQUE:

(1) THE PRIME MINISTER SAID THAT HIS GOVERNMENT IS NEGOTIATING WITH THE KIDNAPPERS IN COOPERATION WITH THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT. THIS IS FAR FROM TRUE. NO ONE FROM THE GOVERNMENT OR THE SECURITY SERVICE OF THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT HAS CONTACTED US. WE WISH TO ANNOUNCE FOR THE LAST TIME THAT WE ARE NOT PREPARED TO STUDY THIS
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SUBJECT WITH THE RESISTANCE MOVEMENT BECAUSE THE ISSUE IS A LEBANESE ONE. NOR ARE WE PREPARED TO DISCUSS IT WITH THE GOVERNMENT, WHICH MUST STOP POKING ITS NOSE INTO THE COLONEL'S CASE, SO AS NOT TO ENDANGER HIS LIFE. THIS IS THE GOVERNMENT WHOSE ORGANS PARTICIPATED IN THE BOMBING AND DESTRUCTION OF THE MASLAKH QUARTER AND IN THE MURDER OF ITS INHABITANTS WITH AMERICAN IMPERIALIST ARMS.

THE CONCERNS OF THE WORKERS, FARMERS AND OPPRESSED PEOPLE AMONG THE LEBANESE ARE, IN OUR BELIEF, VERY FAR FROM THE CONCERNS OF THE "COMMAND" OF THE PALESTINIAN MOVEMENT, JUST AS THEY ARE FAR FROM THE GOVERNMENT, THE REPRESSIVE AUTHORITIES, AND ALL OF THE REACTIONARIES

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COOPERATING WITH THE IMPERIALISTS, ESPECIALLY THE AMERICAN
IMPERIALISTS, THE ENEMY OF OUR ARAB PEOPLE AND THE
CAUSE OF ITS TRAGEDIES AND THOSE OF ALL THE PEOPLES
OF THE WORLD.

AS REGARDS THE COMMAND OF THE PLO, WE ADVISE IT
THAT, IF IT IS SEEKING A BRIDGE TO THE AMERICANS, LET
IT SEEK ONE OTHER THAN COLONEL MORGAN.

(2) THE RIDICULOUS STATEMENT ISSUED BY THE "NATIONALIST"
PARTIES** WE ARE NOT SURPRISED THAT THIS STATEMENT
SHOULD BE ISSUED BY THE PARTIES OF THE RIGHTIST
AND LEFTIST PETTY BOURGEOISIE, WHICH HAVE SPENT MORE
THAN HALF A CENTURY IN THE "STRUGGLE" WITHOUT ACHIEVING
ANY TRUE VICTORY FOR THE MASSES AND WITHOUT ACHIEVING
OR PROTECTING ANY OF THEIR INTERESTS. INDEED THEY HAVE
RIDDEN ON THE STRUGGLE OF THE MASSES AND REGISTERED THE
GAINS FOR THEMSELVES, JOINED ALL THE REACTIONARY AND
AGENT FORCES IN GOVERNMENT, AND STRUCK AND EXPLOITED
THE MASSES JUST AS THE FASCIST PHALANGIST PARTY HAS
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DONE, BECAUSE THEY ALL ORIGINATE IN THE SAME CLASS.

THESE PARTIES ARE NOW TREMBLING BEFORE THE GLORIOUS VICTORY OF THE POOR AND NEEDY PEOPLE OF THE MASLAKH, WHOSE CLASS SITUATION IS NO DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF HARLEM AND THOSE OF POOR QUARTERS THROUGHOUT THE WORLD. WE ARE SURPRISED AT HOW PARTIES WHICH CALL THEMSELVES ANTI-IMPERIALIST CAN LOOK AT AN ACT WHICH CHALLENGES IMPERIALISM AND SAY THAT IT TOO IS AN "IMPERIALIST PLOT". OR IS IT THAT THE DETENTION OF THE SPY MORGAN TOOK PLACE WITHOUT THEIR PERMISSION AND ACHIEVED NO VICTORY OR ELECTORAL PROPAGANDA FOR THESE PARTIES ALTHOUGH THE ELECTIONS ARE ALMOST UPON US?

THE REVOLUTIONARY MOVEMENTS DO NOT ASK PERMISSION TO EXIST AND STRUGGLE. THEY ARE NOT THE PAWNS OF THE PETTY BOURGEOISE PARTIES, BUT ARE TIED TO THE WILL OF THE WORKING CLASS AND ITS ALLIES. ARMED VIOLENCE AND CONFRONTATION WITH LOCAL AND IMPERIALIST REACTIONARY FORCES, INCLUDING THEIR SPIES AND THEIR INSTRUMENTS OF REPRESSION, ARE THE ESSENCE OF OUR POLICY AND STRATEGY AND ARE A CAUSE FOR PRIDE, AND WE ARE NOT OBLIGED TO EXPLAIN OUR POLICY AND STRATEGY TO THESE PARTIES. (SIGNED) THE REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST ACTION ORGANIZATION, JULY 8, 1975.

8. REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST ACTION ORGANIZATION
COMMUNIQUE NO. 3 CONCERNING THE DETENTION OF COLONEL
EARNEST MORGAN.

WE HAVE READ WITH GREAT SORROW THE COMMUNIQUE ISSUED BY THE COMMAND OF THE PALESTINIAN RESISTANCE IN CONJUNCTION WITH THE LEBANESE NATIONALIST MOVEMENT, DISTRIBUTED BY THE Wafa UNIFIED PALESTINIAN NEWS AGENCY, AND CONCERNING, AS THE COMMUNIQUE IMPLIES, THE CASE OF THE DETAINED AMERICAN COLONEL EARNEST MORGAN. THE COMMUNIQUE GOES BEYOND THIS SINCE IT RELATES TO THE PLO COMMAND'S ATTEMPT TO REINFORCE THE CHANNEL OPENED WITH THE AMERICANS AND DECLARE ITS INNOCENCE IN THE MORGAN CASE SO AS NOT TO COMPLICATE WORK ON THIS CHANNEL, WHICH THE SAUDI, EGYPTIAN, AND
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OTHER REGIMES ARE BLESSING.

THIS COMMUNIQUE NO. 2, WHICH WAS GIVEN TO AFP AT 6 PM ON THE 8TH OF JULY, 1975 AND WHICH WAS NOT PUBLISHED AT THE REQUEST OF THE AUTHORITIES, THE AMERICAN EMBASSY, AND THE PLO. IT CONFIRMS THAT THE PLO COMMAND HAS FALLEN IN BEHIND PLOTS OF THE AMERICANS, THE IMPERIALISTS, AND THE SO-CALLED NATIONALIST AND PROGRESSIVE FORCES WHICH REPRESENT ONLY THE RULING BOURGEOISIE OF LEBANON. ITS SOCIAL AND CLASS NATURE IS NO DIFFERENT FROM THAT OF THE PHALANGE AND NATIONAL LIBERAL PARTIES AND ALL THE AGENT SECTARIAN REACTIONARY FORCES IN LEBANON AND THE ENTIRE ARAB REGION.

WE OF THE REVOLUTIONARY SOCIALIST ACTION ORGANIZATION CONFIRM ONCE MORE OUR FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE DETENTION OF THE AMERICAN SPY. WE HAVE POSTPONED HIS EXECUTION FOR THREE MORE DAYS, ENDING AT 2100 HOURS ON THE EVENING OF JULY 12, 1975, ON BASIS OF HIS PLEA FOR MERCY AND THE APPEALS ADDRESSED TO US FROM MORE THAN ONE QUARTER.

WE CONFIRM THAT THE AMERICAN SPY ERNEST MORGAN WILL BE EXECUTED BY A FIRING SQUAD, AS WE HAVE MADE IT CLEAR, IF THE AMERICAN GOVERNMENT DOES NOT CARRY OUT ALL OF THE DEMANDS WHICH WE PRESENTED IN OUR FIRST COMMUNIQUE. WE ALSO EMPHASIZE THAT THE AUTHORITIES' SEARCH AND RAID OPERATIONS ARE THREATENING HIS LIFE. WE WARN THE AUTHORITIES, AND WE PUT THE RESPONSIBILITY FOR THE AMERICAN'S DEATH ON THEM, SINCE WE WILL NOT HESITATE TO KILL HIM OF THE SEARCH AND RAID OPERATIONS REACH THE PLACE WHERE HE IS.

WHO IS ERNEST MORGAN, WHO IS BEING DEFENDED BY THE ALLIANCE OF THE LEBANESE AUTHORITIES, OF SOME COMMANDS OF THE PLO, AND OF THE GANGS OF MOHSEN IBRAHIM AND HIS COLLEAGUES?--MORGAN WAS BORN IN THE STATE OF VIRGINIA ON THE 29TH OF APRIL, 1932--HE GRADUATED FROM MILITARY COLLEGE ON THE 24TH OF APRIL, 1952--HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO KOREA AND FOUGHT
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THE KOREAN REVOLUTIONARIES UNDER THE COMMAND OF BRIG. GENERAL J. SMITH--HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO NATO IN FRANCE FOR THREE YEARS UNDER THE COMMAND OF LT. COLONEL A. A. BALL--HE TOOK MILITARY TRAINING COURSES IN COUNTERINSURGENCY WARFARE IN TEXAS, AND THE DIRECTOR OF THE SCHOOL WAS LT. GENERAL F. ROBINSON--HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO WEST GERMANY UNDER THE COMMAND OF BRIG. GENERAL RICHARD GARRETY (PHONETIC) AND WAS GIVEN MISSIONS CONNECTED WITH THE ARMED REVOLUTION

WHICH TOOK PLACE IN HUNGARY IN 1956. HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO SOUTHEAST ASIA AND WORKED IN THAILAND, CAMBODIA, AND VIETNAM UNDER THE COMMAND OF COL. F. L. BOWERS IN FIGHTING THE REVOLUTIONARIES THERE-- HE WAS TRANSFERRED TO TURKEY IN THE FRAMEWORK OF CENTO AND WAS

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SENT ON A SECRET MISSION TO CYPRUS DURING THE TURKISH-CYPRIOT CONFLICT--HE IS NOT ONLY AN EXPERT IN MILITARY AFFAIRS, BUT HAS TAKEN TRAINING COURSES IN MILITARY INTELLIGENCE, AND HE IS NOW WORKING IN THE AMERICAN MILITARY AID MISSION IN TURKEY. HE HAS BEEN GIVEN VARIOUS MISSIONS IN CYPRUS, PAKISTAN AND LEBANON AND PANAMA. AS TO WHY HE CAME TO LEBANON, WE GIVE THE CITIZENRY THE BENEFIT OF THE TEXT OF HIS CONFESSIONS, WHICH EXPOSE THE AMERICAN PLOTS AND HOW THEY WERE BEHIND THE RECENT CLASHES. IN DETAINING THE SPY COLONEL ERNEST MORGAN, WE KNOW THAT THIS IS NOT AN EASY THING. ESPECIALLY SINCE WE FACE THE FREE-FOR-ALL OF THE AGENT AND REPRESSIVE FORCES. BUT WE ARE DETERMINED TO CONTINUE IN OUR PATH OF CONFRONTATION WITH ALL OF THESE FORCES, ESPECIALLY THE AMERICAN ONES, WITH WHOSE BLOODY AND UGLY FACE OUR PEOPLE AND ALL PEOPLES ARE FAMILAR.

(SIGNED)

THE REVOLUTIONNARY SOCIALIST
ACTION ORGANIZATION
9TH OF JULY, 1975

9. THE FOLLOWING IS THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE TAPE CASSETTE MEANT
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FOR DELIVERY JULY 8:

QUOTE. MY NAME IS ERNEST ROLAND MORGAN, COL. 225389199.
IT IS NOW 8 JULY 1600 HOURS. I AM STILL UNDER THE CONTROL OF THE
LEBANESE LEFTIST GROUP. I AM STILL IN GOOD HEALTH AND CONTINUE
TO RECEIVE GOOD TREATMENT. SINCE MY LAST RECORDING I HAVE BEEN
ABLE TO MAINTAIN A DIALOGUE WITH THIS LEBANESE LEFTIST GROUP,
AND I REMAIN CONVINCED THAT THEY ARE SERIOUS, AND IT IS THIS
MATTER THAT I AM CONCERNED SINCE ONE-HALF OF THE TIME HAS ALREADY
PAST, AND I FEEL THAT THE, MY GOVERNMENT HAS NOT RESPONDED
SINCERELY IN MEETING ALL THE DEMANDS AND IN PARTICULAR THE
THIRD DEMAND. MR. GODLEY, I WOULD ASK THAT YOU WOULD PLEASE
INFORM MY GOVERNMENT THAT I'M BECOMING CONCERNED NOW THAT MY
LIFE IS IN DANGER, AND THAT A STATEMENT FROM THE U.S. GOVERNMENT
CONCERNING MEETING THE DEMANDS, ALL OF THE DEMANDS-- NOT JUST ONE
OR TWO BUT ALL OF THE DEMANDS -- WILL DO A LOT TO RELIEVE THE
SUFFERING OF MY FAMILY AND POSSIBLY SPARE MY LIFE AND BRING
THIS WHOLE MATTER TO AN END. I WOULD ASK THAT YOU WOULD ASK MY
GOVERNMENT TO GIVE CAREFUL CONSIDERATION TO THESE DEMANDS AND
NOT ALLOW THE FACT THAT MY COLOR SHOULD BE AN OBSTACLE
PREVENTING ACTION WITHIN THE TIME FRAME THAT THEY HAVE MADE THE
DEMANDS. AGAIN, I WOULD LIKE TO STATE THAT I CONSIDER THE GROUP
TO BE VERY SERIOUS AND I AM NOW BECOMING CONCERNED. TO THIS
POINT I HAVE FELT REASONABLY COMFORTABLE THAT THEY WOULD DO WHAT
THEY HAVE SAID THEY WOULD DO IF ALL DEMANDS WERE MET, BUT I HAVE
A PERCEPTION THAT THEY FEEL THE U.S. GOVERNMENT HAS NOT LIVED
UP AND MET THEIR DEMANDS PERFECTLY. END QUOTE.

10. THE FOLLOWING IS THE TRANSCRIPT OF THE TAPE CASSETTE RECORDED
JULY 9 AND DELIVERED JULY 10:

MY NAME IS ERNEST ROLAND MORGAN, COLONEL, UNITED STATES
ARMY, 225389199. THE TIME IS 2100 HOURS, 9 JULY. AS THIS
DRAMA UNFOLDS, I BELIEVE THAT THE LAST CHAPTER IS ABOUT TO BE
WRITTEN, BUT BEFORE IT ALL ENDS, I HAVE REQUESTED OF THE LEFTIST
GROUP, AND THEY HAVE GRANTED ME, MORE TIME FOR ME TO MAKE A FINAL
REQUEST TO THE GOVERNMENT, AND THEREFORE, I WOULD LIKE TO MAKE
A REQUEST AND ASK THAT IT BE GIVEN VERY SERIOUS CONSIDERATION.
I HAVE NOT BEEN ABLE TO MAINTAIN A DIALOGUE WITH THE GROUP
TO THE DEGREE THAT I UNDERSTAND FULLY WHAT IS GOING ON. HOWEVER,
I DO NOT BELIEVE THAT ALL THE DEMANDS HAVE BEEN MET TO THEIR
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SATISFACTION. I THINK THAT A REVIEW OF MY PAST RECORD OVER THE 23 YEARS THAT I HAVE SERVED WILL REVEAL THAT I HAVE CARRIED OUT EVERY ORDER TO THE LETTER AS IT WAS MY DUTY TO DO. I DID NOT HESITATE TO GO TO PARIS OR TO KOREA OR TO MUNICH, GERMANY OR SAIGON, VIETNAM OR CAMBODIA, AND I DID NOT HESITATE TO COME HERE TO THE MIDDLE EAST. I HAVE DONE ALL OF THESE THINGS BECAUSE MY GOVERNMENT ASKED ME TO DO THEM, AND I THOUGHT I HAD TO DO THEM TO PROTECT THE COUNTRY AND ITS PEOPLE AND ALTHOUGH I MAY NOT HAVE USED GOOD JUDGMENT IN COMING HERE TO BEIRUT, I BELIEVE THAT BASED ON MY PAST PERFORMANCE MY GOVERNMENT AND THE PEOPLE SHOULD PROTECT ME NOW IN MY MOMENT OF CRISIS, AND THEY SHOULD NOT ABANDON ME BECAUSE OF MY COLOR OR MY RACE. I AM WELL AWARE OF THE UNITED STATES POLICY NOT TO PAY RANSOM TO GROUPS. HOWEVER, I ONLY ASKED THAT THESE DEMANDS BE MADE BECAUSE TO RESTORE DEVASTATED AREAS IS CONSISTENT WITH U.S. PAST PERFORMANCE, AND THE COST OF DOING IT IS NO MORE THAN THE COST OF A PHANTOM JET THAT WE GIVE TO THE ISRAELIS ALMOST DAILY. I AGAIN ASK THAT MY GOVERNMENT RELIEVE THE PRESSURE FROM ME AND MY FAMILY AND I ALSO BELIEVE THAT THIS IS THE LAST OPPORTUNITY THAT I WILL HAVE TO MAKE A REQUEST LIKE THIS TO MY GOVERNMENT.

11. FYI, IN REPRODUCING TAPE FROM JULY 9 CASSETTE RECORDING, RSO FOUND GARBLED PIECE WHICH HAD BEEN RECORDED WITH POOR POWER SOURCE. GARBLED PIECE PLAYED AT CORRECTED SPEED AND FOUND TO BE "WORD-FOR-WORD" DUPLICATE OF BEGINNING OF CASSETTE. MORGAN WAS OBVIOUSLY READING FROM PREPARED TEXT. GODLEY

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